

Table 1. Fastest growing occupations and occupations projected to have the largest numerical increases in employment between 2004 and 2014, by level of postsecondary education or training

Fastest growing occupations	Postsecondary education or training level	Occupations having the largest numerical job growth
First-professional degree		
Pharmacists	Physicians and surgeons	
Physicians and surgeons	Lawyers	
Chiropractors	Pharmacists	
Optometrists	Dentists	
Veterinarians	Chiropractors	
Doctoral degree		
Medical scientists, except epidemiologists	Postsecondary teachers	
Postsecondary teachers	Clinical, counseling, and school psychologists	
Computer and information scientists, research	Medical scientists, except epidemiologists	
Biochemists and biophysicists	Computer and information scientists, research	
Clinical, counseling, and school psychologists	Biochemists and biophysicists	
Master's degree		
Physical therapists	Physical therapists	
Occupational therapists	Clergy	
Hydrologists	Educational, vocational, and school counselors	
Substance abuse and behavioral disorder counselors	Instructional coordinators	
Instructional coordinators	Rehabilitation counselors	
Bachelor's or higher degree, plus work experience		
Education administrators, preschool and child care center/program	General and operations managers	
Computer and information systems managers	Management analysts	
Training and development managers	Financial managers	
Actuaries	Computer and information systems managers	
Medical and health services managers	Sales managers	
Bachelor's degree		
Network systems and data communications analysts	Elementary school teachers, except special education	
Physician assistants	Accountants and auditors	
Computer software engineers, applications	Computer software engineers, applications	
Computer software engineers, systems software	Computer systems analysts	
Network and computer systems administrators	Secondary school teachers, except special and vocational education	
Associate degree		
Physical therapist assistant	Registered nurses	
Dental hygienists	Computer support specialists	
Forensic science technicians	Dental hygienists	
Veterinary technologists and technicians	Paralegals and legal assistants	
Diagnostic medical sonographers	Medical records and health information technicians	
Postsecondary vocational award		
Preschool teachers, except special education	Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants	
Surgical technologists	Preschool teachers, except special education	
Gaming dealers	Automotive service technicians and mechanics	
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics	Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses	
Fitness trainers and aerobics instructors	Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists	
Work experience in a related occupation		
Self-enrichment education teachers	First-line supervisors/managers of food preparation and serving workers	
Emergency management specialists	First-line supervisors/managers of office and administrative support workers	
Gaming managers	First-line supervisors/managers of construction trades and extraction workers	
Construction and building inspectors	Self-enrichment education teachers	
First-line supervisors/managers of fire fighting and prevention workers	First-line supervisors/managers of retail sales workers	
Long-term on-the-job training		
Fire fighters	Carpenters	
Tile and marble setters	Cooks, restaurant	
Athletes and sports competitors	Police and sheriff's patrol officers	
Coaches and scouts	Plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters	
Interpreters and translators	Electricians	
Moderate-term on-the-job training		
Medical assistants	Customer service representatives	
Dental assistants	Truck drivers, heavy and tractor-trailer	
Hazardous materials removal workers	Maintenance and repair workers, general	
Social and human service assistants	Medical assistants	
Residential advisors	Executive secretaries and administrative assistants	
Short-term on-the-job training		
Home health aides	Retail salespersons	
Personal and home care aides	Janitors and cleaners, except maids and housekeeping cleaners	
Physical therapist aides	Waiters and waitresses	
Amusement and recreation attendants	Combined food preparation and serving workers, including fast food	
Occupational therapist aides	Home health aides	